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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

We chose a local competitive broadband and telephone provider, Sonic, because they offered us dramatically better speeds at much lower cost than the established national players like Comcast and AT&T. We now enjoy gigabit speed both downstream and, critically, also upstream. We have reliable telephone service that comes over the same fiber connection to our home and we were able to easily port our existing phone number to our new Sonic fiber service. Sonic has provided far superior customer service with friendly and expert help during installation and with the occasional question we have had since beginning service a year ago.

We urge you to ensure that local competitors like Sonic remain able to offer their excellent services that offer consumers like us critical choices for better services and lower costs.

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